

Mails.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1893.
(SUBMITTED TO ALTERATION).

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Mogul..... Saturday May 27.
Victoria..... Saturday June 17.
Tacoma..... Tuesday July 18.
Mogul..... Tuesday August 8.
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Consignee's Indorsement of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of The General Agent Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash. Parcels must be sent to our Office with address marked in full by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1893. 635

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Hongkong, May 4, 1893. 830



STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON. Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *SUTLEJ*, Captain W. D. T. G. Worcester, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, via BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 11th May, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transshipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

H. H. JOSEPH,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, April 27, 1893. 163

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To-day's Advertisements.

BOXING TOURNAMENT.

THE OPEN AIR BOXING & WRESTLING TOURNAMENT, POSTPONED FROM SATURDAY LAST, on account of the inclemency of the weather, will take place

TO-MORROW (SUBMITTED TO ALTERATION).

(SATURDAY, 6th May, at 3 p.m., sharp, at CAUSEWAY BAY.)

PRICES OF ADMISSION.

Dress Circle..... \$1.50
Second Circle..... \$1.00
Back Seats..... 50c.

Hongkong, May 6, 1893. 834

NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

VOGLIANDER'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES, MICROSCOPES AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS, MAPS AND CHARTS, NAUTICAL BOOKS.

ENGLISH SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE, CHRISTOFLE & CO.'S ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE, GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY in great variety.

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A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, at very moderate prices. 742

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HAVING just been REPLENISHED

with a large assortment of the latest

EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN NOVELTIES,

we are prepared to execute orders for

FANCY WORK with neatness and despatch,

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CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

THE MIKE COAL MINING COMPANY.

THE MIKE COAL is a bituminous

Coal of dark reddish colour. For

Steam purposes, it has been pronounced to be the best and the most economical of all the Japanese Coals.

Its export is increasing yearly, and the

opinions expressed by several of the

largest regular consumers are in testimony of the excellent qualities of this Coal.

ATTENTION is called to the following

ADVANTAGES to Shipowners and Captains,

who Coal their Bunkers direct from the

Underground.

Price of the Coal.

Uniformity of quality.

Freedom from impurities.

Supply in any quantity on shortest notice.

Quick despatch.

Best of weight, etc., etc.

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,

Sale Agents.

Hongkong, October 1, 1892. 174

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels

THE CHINA MAIL.

A TELEGRAM from Madrid to a Manila paper states that the output of the sugar crop this year in Cuba is one-fourth less than that of the preceding year.

FAN HI, a boatman, was charged before Capt. Hastings at the Police Court to-day with stealing five fathoms of chain, the property of the Dock Company. An Indian watchman saw him carrying off the chain and arrested him. The accused informed the Magistrate that he was the victim of a base conspiracy, but that did not prevent his Worship from sending him to prison for six weeks.

THE new lighthouse, erected by the Chinese Authorities on the Island of Wagan, has been completed, and the representatives of the local press were taken over the new structure to-day by Mr. J. R. Harding, M.I.C.E., assistant engineer, Lighthouse Service. The party was accompanied by Mr. J. McLeavy Brown, Commissioner of Customs, Kowloon District; Lieut. Lloyd, R.E., and Mr. R. Mackwick, jun. It is expected that the new lighthouse will be formally opened in a few days by H.E. Sir William Robinson and Lady Robinson. A detailed description of the works is held over.

Mn Arthur Hancock, the 50 mile professional champion walker, is at present on a visit to this colony. Hancock, who won the cup three years in succession, proposes to give an exhibition of his ability to get over the ground, and a proposal has been made that the various clubs in Hongkong should organize a gathering to give the champion an opportunity of showing his pace. He has done eight miles in a few minutes under the hour, and although not now in the same fit state he was then he ought to be able to cover seven and a half miles in the same time, taking up a fresh pacemaker at each mile. He has been giving exhibitions at the Cape, in India, Singapore and other British possessions, and is now on his way to Australia.

MAJOR-GENERAL BRYAN EDWARDS, R.E., the former General Officer Commanding Hongkong, having now been two years unemployed on the active list, will retire (say a year's contemporary) according to the regulation affecting these cases. This will give to H. E. Sir Charles Warren, R.E., who is a Colonel on the Staff with the local rank of Major-General, his substantial step to the latter rank. We congratulate Sir Charles upon his actual or imminent promotion.

The Singapore Free Press of April 28 says:—

We hear that it is almost certain that the new Governor, in succession to Sir Cecil Smith, will be Sir Charles Bulwer Hugh Mitchell, at present Governor of Natal. Sir Charles Mitchell is a retired Lieutenant-Colonel of Royal Marines, and in this fact alone may be found some corroboration of the probability of the appointment falling to this officer. It will not be forgotten that it has been a matter of serious discussion in the War Office and the Admiralty, as well as in Parliament, that certain coaling stations might be brought under the control of the Navy, or at least of the Admiralty, and that the Navy should have nothing to do with the Admiralty. This may be nothing to this, but the remark is not without a possible bearing on the case, and we do not at this moment again argue the question of civil or military governors. But any appointment of the latter character would be a considerable factor in defining the status of this Colony in the eyes of the Empire, and with that, where lies the chief responsibility for its protection.

The Daily News says:—The heart of the learned Oriental scholar, Dr. Leitner, has at last been glorified in the form of a copy of the *Legos of the Ancients*, which is the sacred book of the *Initiated* among the Druses of the Lebanon and of the Ismailians throughout the Mahomedan world. In making this announcement, the *Consulat* expresses the hope that he will be able to quote some extracts from this secret Bible in his next issue, and thus to set at rest the speculations of men centuries regarding the real tenets of the most important form of *Esoteric* Mahomedanism. The manucript in question is attributed to a great Historian, the famous Shah Nasir Khan, himself as adherent of the Ismailian sect, who was born about the year 600 of the Christian era. It is described as in good condition, in an ordinary Persian handwriting, and has been sent by the head of the Ismailian community, the present Agha Khan, in continuation of the literary sympathy which his father extended to Dr. Leitner's researches.

An interesting object for exhibition at the World's Fair at Chicago has just been despatched to America. It is the first copy of the *Book of Human Contumescence*, ever seen, the *Legos of the Ancients*, which is the sacred book of the *Initiated* among the Druses of the Lebanon and of the Ismailians throughout the Mahomedan world. In making this announcement, the *Consulat* expresses the hope that he will be able to quote some extracts from this secret Bible in his next issue, and thus to set at rest the speculations of men centuries regarding the real tenets of the most important form of *Esoteric* Mahomedanism. The manucript in question is attributed to a great Historian, the famous Shah Nasir Khan, himself as adherent of the Ismailian sect, who was born about the year 600 of the Christian era. It is described as in good condition, in an ordinary Persian handwriting, and has been sent by the head of the Ismailian community, the present Agha Khan, in continuation of the literary sympathy which his father extended to Dr. Leitner's researches.

The following is the Report of the Committee of Management for the year 1892-3:—Your Committee have pleasure in presenting to you their report for the year ended 1st March, 1893.

The Hon. Treasurer's statement of accounts is, on the whole, satisfactory inasmuch as all expenses incurred during the year have been paid and a small balance is carried forward to next year's account. However, to accomplish this it was found necessary to call on you for a special subscription, which call was obsequiously responded to.

The Committee have much pleasure in recording the fact that the Minister of Union Church now receives an equal proportion of the sum appropriated by the Government for the religious services as are received by the public institutions of the Chinese.

On the 1st March, 1893, (after being a member for 15 years) I have had my expectations fully realized, as I am now able to hear quite well, and without the least effort, and the terrible noises in head have not appeared again. Pamphlet with full advice free. H. Clifton, 31, Upper Kowloon Road, London, S.E.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank here says the Singapore Free Press, there have arrived a new manager and sub-manager in the persons of Mr. G. W. Butt and Mr. J. C. Nicholson. Mr. Cameron, at present manager, will it is understood shortly go home on leave, possibly doing inspection duty at Batavia before his departure for England. Mr. MacLennan remains as accountant. Mr. Butt was in Singapore about six or seven years ago as accountant. He has just been on a year's leave, his last appointment having been Sub-manager in the Head Office, where he has been acting agent of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank for the last year.

EVIDENTLY excitement does not affect the appetite of the American politician (remarks the Daily Chronicle); at least, the following list of refreshments provided for the Inauguration Ball on the evening of March 4th would seem to point to that conclusion:—65,000 oysters, 500 gallons of soup, 10,000 chicken croquettes, 7,000 sandwiches, 150 gallons lobster salad, 300 gallons steamed turpits, 300 gallons chicken salad, 150 boned turkeys, 600 quarts rice punch, 800 lb. pâté de foie gras, and 1,500 gallons of ice-cream. The refreshments were served to 11,000 guests by a corps of 200 waiters. The Sabbatharian section of the community has been thoroughly aroused because, as the Inauguration Ball did not begin until nearly midnight on Saturday, the festivities encroached seriously upon the 'day of rest.'

SEVERAL cartridge-makers in London have, it is said, received orders for a quantity of lead. Canister, and other contemporary, had decided to look forward to wearing cartridges and forces that they may no longer be able to squeeze inside the narrow hams or even into the more capacious 'garrison'?

In Switzerland the 'chair' as our forefathers invariably called it, is still in use on the less frequented mountain paths, two sets of two men taking it in turns to carry the fare. At Beauvais, a town famous for the heroic defence of Jeanne d'Arc, where every year in commemoration of that event there is a procession of the men, there are still a number of 'vinaigrettes' or little boxes on wheels drawn by men. These may be considered as the living link between the old sedan chair and the modern cab.

A NEW suggestion is made in the *Daily Graphic* by a gentleman signing himself 'Crummey': 'If our M.P.'s are going to be paid, and membership of the House of Commons made a regular branch of the Civil Service, we ought to have an examination for M.P.'s! It is a splendidly democratic suggestion, says the *St. James's Gazette*. The visits for 'Crummey's' is, of course, delightful; Messrs. Gurney and Sooces will then indeed be arbiters of imperial destinies. For the examination will have to be pretty stiff, when all the young gentlemen from Board School upwards are working for their political salary.' Crummey suggests 'history (ancient and modern), geography, and politics, with a knowledge of the Articles of Religion, and—(but this is really too vague)—any other subjects in which a member of Parliament is supposed to be efficient.' The latter is perhaps intended to include rhetoric; but who shall examine in that? Some people may think that a candidate already has to pass a somewhat difficult examination for his post. But, for the very honour of the thing, it would be pity not to let Mr. Gladstone come out top in H. M. or Burne and Mr. Harde to take 'firsts' in industrial science. And supposing these candidates were ploughed on their own subjects?

SPECULATION continues to multiply and flourish around the mysterious substance which Professor Dwar lately exhibited as solid air. It will be remembered that Professor Dwar could not himself say whether the frozen mass contained both solid oxygen and solid nitrogen, or solid nitrogen alone with liquid oxygen interspersed. Substances which possess the property of retaining liquid air apparently did not come into consideration, as the form in which they could be used was not clearly defined. It would be hazardous as yet to assert that nitrogen could belong to this class. It has been suggested that the greater volatility of nitrogen might enable the oxygen to be solidified, though its own evaporation cannot; in this case it might be possible to solidify pure oxygen by surrounding it with a vessel containing liquid nitrogen, and exhausted in the usual manner. A technical contemporary strikes boldly at the climax of these experiments, and says: 'If Professor Dwar continues his researches with the energy and success that have hitherto characterized them, we do not despair of announcing in a few weeks that a brief casting of liquid hydrogen has been made, and that on solidification and removal from the mould it has been proved to possess a fine lustre, high tensile strength, and sonorous qualities quite in accordance with its known metallic character.'—*Palmer Gazette*.

THE Reverend Professor Haughton has calculated that walking on a level surface is equivalent to raising $\frac{1}{2}$ part of the weight of the body through the distance walked. It is easy to change this formula into one showing the weight raised one foot. 'Using this,' says a contemporary, 'a man who walks half a mile with his clothes 150 lbs., would follow that walking one mile would be equal to lifting 17.67 tons one foot.'

'Looking at this result,' he continues, 'considering that the most healthy life is that of a man engaged in manual labour in the free air, and that the daily work will probably average from 250 to 350 tons lifted one foot, we can perhaps say, an approximation, that every healthy man ought, if possible, to take a daily amount of exercise in some way which shall not be less than 150 tons per day.'

'The amount of exercise necessary for fair health is far short of that which may be accomplished within the limits of health. Hence, many pursuits which vary widely in the degree of exertion they entail, nevertheless fulfil the condition of healthy exercise. And if a man's ordinary occupation assures an adequate amount, he need not waste time by troubling himself any further with the matter. But while, no doubt, too much time is often wasted in this way, sedentary habits and occupation which keep a man much within doors will cost in taxation on the health more than most men can afford to pay. For not only is there much reduction of physical strength, which may be a small matter, but imperfect tissue changes and the undue accumulation of fat are to be observed in the body of a man of a grave kind, and interfere not a little with the usefulness of life.'

'The temper becomes irritable, the

Strait Times says:—The long projected Malacca Peninsula railway line, to connect the Straits with Burma and the India railway system, lends additional interest to recent coal discoveries on the banks of the Tennessee river, a little way to the north of Penang. Mr. T. W. H. Hughes, Superintendent of the Geological Survey of India, has just brought out a report on the find, which looks upon the part of commercial value. The existence of coal deposits here has long been known, but lately Mr. Hughes' researches show that the coal deposit extends for twelve miles with a thickness of five feet, and a depth of three hundred feet, the indications pointing to a probable supply of one million of tons.

The coal, when tested gave satisfactory results in proving to be an excellent article compared with the ordinary Indian coal. Rangoon and Penang are regarded as likely markets for the Tennessee article, and here comes in the question of the cost of labour and the accessibility of the fields. Mr. Hughes, on an estimated output of ten thousand tons a year, puts the probable charges for one ton of coal at five rupees twelve annas per ton; but, high as the cost of the coal and its transportation, he urges the Government to make thorough investigation as to whether the mines can be worked at a profit, before sinking money in mining there. The field is now open to private enterprise to test the value of the find, which is opportune now that railway schemes in the Malay Peninsula draw attention.

THE report of the Committee looking after the Church-Building is appended and satisfactory.

At the close of the present year Mr. Bondfield will have completed ten years' residence in China and Hongkong and his furlough having been granted by the London Missionary Society, he proposes leaving for England early in 1894. It is hoped that satisfactory arrangements may be made for carrying on his work during his absence. Owing to the indifferent state of his health through over-work Mr. Bondfield found it necessary to take a short holiday in October last, and, during his absence, the pulpit was ably filled by the Rev. Dr. Henry and Chalmers, and our best thanks are due to both these gentlemen for their valued ministrations.

In November the Church Building was forcibly entered by Chinese and among them was the master magician of the occasion. The Chinese people did not mind this intrusion, but the same position as in the Jewish economy, though the Chinese have been employed in so many different a manner. In all events certain that the first commandment with promise has been in a certain way profoundly obeyed in China, and it need not surprise us if it is true of the Chinese race, that their days have been 'long in the land,' which the Lord has given them. To these general considerations others may be added. It has always been considered remarkable that in the Empire of absolute authority democracy should not only have a firm hold, but should most distinctly be recognized in the most ancient classes.

The hearty thanks of the congregation are due to Miss Field for her most efficient services. Hon. Organist to Mr. Powell for playing the organ at the practices, to Mr. Cummings and the Choir for their services rendered to the Church by Mr. Hugh McCallum, first as Treasurer and then as Secretary during the last six years, and especially during the removal and reconstruction of the building, and moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Wood moved, and Mr. Bradfield seconded.—That the Report of the Committee of management, the Hon. Treasurer's statement of accounts and the report of the Building Committee for the year 1892-93 be accepted.' The motion was carried unanimously. Mr. Murray Bain moved, and Mr. Hugh McCallum seconded, 'That a honorarium of at least the same amount as last year be given to Mr. Bondfield for the current year,'—which motion was unanimously agreed to. 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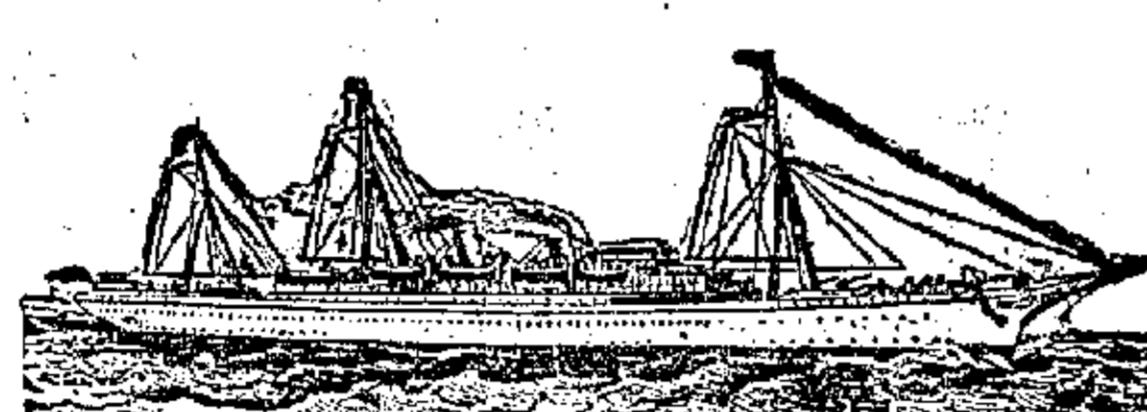
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